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1. On 21 December, the capacity of the barracks installation at 1 Georgewitzer Strasse in Loebau was estimated to be about 3,000 men, while the actual strength of the men in the installation was estimated to be 1,500 soldiers. The sentries at the gate wore blue collar patches. Ten trucks and 4 sedans were parked in the barracks area. Soldiers wearing red-bordered black and blue collar patches were observed near these motor vehicles. Soldiers wearing red-bordered black collar patches and who passed through the barracks gate on Kalinin Strasse, were seen in the city area. 1
2. On 7 January, the barracks installation on Sachsen Strasse in Zittau still quartered an estimated 1,000 men. The sentry at the gate and soldiers leaving the installation wore red-bordered black collar patches. 2
3. On 3 January 1955, the Loeberfeld kaserne in Erfurt consisted of 6 four-story buildings and 4 motor-vehicle storage sheds. KVPs entering and leaving the installation wore black-bordered red, red-bordered dark-green and yellow-bordered black collar patches. Major Hasse (fnu) was supply officer. Staff officers subordinate to him were Captain Schumann (fnu), Captain Winkler (fnu) and Senior Lieutenant Karsch (fnu). 3
4. On 7, 8, 10, 17 and 18 December 1954, the Panzerjaeger Kaserne in Spremberg quartered an estimated 3,000 KVPs most of whom wore blue service color. On 10 December, 400 men were observed at a time. On 14 December, about 100 men moved from the installation to the barracks on Forster Strasse. The clothing storage apparently also moved there. On 17 December, a KVP officer said that 500 newcomers were expected to arrive during the next few days. From 8 to 18 December 1954, groups of 50 to 150 men were observed receiving formal drill and instruction in the barracks area or marching between the installation and the training ground. Some of the soldiers carried field packs. Record practices with rifles were held at the target range near the installation. 4

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5. Seven barracks were completed, some of them occupied, on Forster Strasse. Another 7 barracks were not far from completion. It was apparently planned to construct other barracks at the rear of the above-mentioned structures: 4

1. Comment. The 3d Mech Regt and the mortar regiment of Mechanized Division Dresden are known to be stationed at this installation. The service colors mentioned in the present report correspond to previous observations.

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2. Comment. The howitzer artillery regiment and the AAA regiment of Mechanized Division Dresden are carried in this installation.

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3. Comment. A previous report has also mentioned the headquarters of Motorized Rifle Division Erfurt which is located in this installation. Major Hasse (fnu) is known to be deputy for supply affairs of this division. Black-bordered red collar patches are worn by infantrymen, red-bordered dark-green by rear service units above regimental level, and yellow-bordered black by signal troops.

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4. Comment. The tank units of Mechanized Division Dresden are stationed at Spremberg. It is believed that the figure of 3,000 men is too high.

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